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E.O. 11652: GDS TAGS: MASS SUBJ: F-5 DELIVERY

REF: USDAO TEHRAN 240553Z SEPT B. CSAF 252010Z SEPT (NOTAL)

1. SAF/IA CONCERN (REF B) OVER REF (A) IS MISPLACED. THAT MESSAGE WAS DISPATCHED AT AMBASSADOR'S REQUEST AFTER FULL COORDINATION WITH ARMISH/MAAG. WE HAVE BEEN SERIOUSLY CONCERNED WITH F-5E LOGISTICS PROBLEMS FOR SOME TIME, ESPECIALLY SINCE SHAH RAISED MATTER WITH AMBASSADOR. PROPOSED C-5 DELIVERY AND ASSEMBLY OF F-5 AIRCRAFT IN IRAN SEEMS TO US, AS ARMISH/MAAG HAS REPORTED, HIGHLY PROBLEMPRONE OPERATION, LIABLE TO COMPLICATE PAST LOGSITICS PROBLEMS AND CERTAIN TO ADD SUBSTANTIAL COSTS TO PROGRAM. REF (A) SOUGHT TO ASSURE THAT WE HAD EXHAUSTED ALL OPTIONS FOR POSSIBLY OBTAINING SECRET

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REVERSAL OF GREEK BAN ON LANDING RIGHTS FOR F-5E'S DESTINED FOR

IRAN. WE WERE SEEKING INFORMATION, NOT IN ANY WAY SUGGESTING A CHANGE IN US ATTITUDES TOWARDS GREECE, NOR DID WE SEEK TO INTERFERE WITH WASHINGTON'S WORK ON THE PROBLEM. IN THIS CONNECTION, WE HAD NOT BEEN INFORMED OF ANY WORK IN PROGRESS IN WASHINGTON, OTHER THAN PLANS TO PROCEED WITH C-5 DELIVERIES.

2. FOR ATHENS: APPRECIATE YOUR EARLY ADVICE WHETHER THERE APPEARS TO BE ANY PROSPECT FOR REVERSAL OF GOG POSITION ON F-5 LANDING RIGHTS. IN PARTICULAR, DO YOU THINK APPROACH BY GOI WOULD BE APPROPRIATE AND USEFUL? HELMS UNQUOTE INGERSOLL

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